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FOLLOWING REPEAT PHNOM PENH 9728 ACTION SECSTATE 23 JULY.

QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L PHNOM PENH 9728

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, CB, CY

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM MAKARIOS TO LON NOL

1. WHEN I SAW PRIME MINISTER LONG BORET JULY 22, HE TOLD ME THAT PRESIDENT LON NOL HAD RECEIVED THE PREVIOUS DAY A TELEGRAM FROM ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS INFORMING HIM "THAT TURKEY HAD COMMITTED AN ACT OF AGGRESSION" AND ASKING HIM FOR "ASSISTANCE TO SAFEGUARD THE INDEPENDENCE AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS." PRIME MINISTER SAID THAT LON NOL WOULD APPRECIATE AMERICAN ADVICE ON HOW TO ANSWER THIS TELEGRAM. ACCORDING TO LONG BORET, SIHANOUK HAS ALREADY SENT MESSAGE TO MAKARIOS COMPARING HIS OWN OUSTER FROM CAMBODIA TO WHAT HAPPENED TO THE ARCHBISHOP IN CYPRUS.

2. KHMERS RECALL THAT BOTH GREECE AND TURKEY SUPPORTED GKR IN LAST YEAR'S CREDENTIALS BATTLE IN UNGA, WHILE CYPRUS DID NOT. WHILE LONG BORET THROUGHT
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MAKARIOS' MESSAGE TO LON NOL WAS PROBABLY STANDARD

TELEGRAM SENT TO MANY OTHER CHIEFS OF STATE, KHMERS
WOULD APPRECIATE OUR COUNSEL ON HOW TO ANSWER THE
ARCHBISHOP CONSISTENT WITH OUR POLICY OBJECTIVES IN
CYPRUS, KEEPING IN MIND GKR'S SPECIAL INTEREST IN
MAINTAINING MAXIMUM SUPPORT FOR THEIR POSITION IN UNGA
IN THE FALL.

3. I SAID I WOULD CONVEY REQUEST TO WASHINGTON AND
WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH PRIME MINISTER AGAIN ON JULY 24.

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